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Applicant : Yaron Keidar Confirmation No. 4112
Application No. : 10/618,033
Filed : July 11, 2003
Title : TRANS-SEPTAL SHEATH WITH SPLITTING DILATING NEEDLE
AND METHOD FOR ITS USE

Grp./Div. : 3731
Examiner : Timothy J. Neal

Docket No. : 50572/W112

Commissioner for Patents
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Commissioner:

Enclosed is an amendment to the above-identified application.

CLAIMS AS AMENDED						
	Claims Remaining After Amendment	Highest Number Paid For	Number Extra Claims	Small Entity Rate	Large Entity Rate	FEE
Total Claims Fee	22	*22	0	0 x \$25.00	0 x \$50.00	0
Independent Claims	2	** 3	0	0 x \$100.00	0 x \$200.00	0
Multiple Dependent Claims ***				\$180.00	\$360.00	0
TOTAL FILING FEE						0
NO ADDITIONAL FEE REQUIRED				IF NO FEE REQUIRED, INSERT "0"		0

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** IF HIGHEST NUMBER PREVIOUSLY PAID FOR IS 3 OR LESS, WRITE "3" IN COLUMN 3
*** PAY THIS FEE ONLY WHEN MULTIPLE DEPENDENT CLAIMS ARE ADDED FOR THE FIRST
TIME

Attached is our check for \$ to pay the fees calculated above.
A Petition for Extension of Time and the required fee are enclosed.
Other enclosures:

The Commissioner is hereby authorized to charge any fees under 37 CFR 1.16 and 1.17 which may be required by or to give effect to this paper to Deposit Account No. 03-1728. Please show our docket number with any charge or credit to our Deposit Account.

Respectfully submitted,

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Commissioner:

In response to the Office action of August 9, 2006, please amend the above-identified application as follows:

Amendments to the Claims are reflected in the listing of claims which begins on page 2 of this paper.

Remarks/Arguments begin on page 6 of this paper.